

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of: )  
Norio Matsumoto et al. ) Examiner: Matthew J. Daniels  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
FORMING A HOLLOW FRP ARTICLE )  
BY INTERNAL PRESSURE MOLDING ) Art Unit: 1732  
Serial No.: 10/811,023 )  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**  
**and**  
**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.31, Applicants hereby appeal to the Patent Office Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner in the Final Office Action dated August 6, 2007, rejecting claims 1-5 in this application, the period for response extending to and through February 6, 2008.

A Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review with 5 pages of Remarks accompanies this Notice of Appeal.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$510.00 as the fee for filing a Notice of Appeal (37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1)). Applicant also hereby petitions for a three month extension of time in order to file the Notice of Appeal and the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee of \$1,020.00 under (37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (a)) to Deposit Account No. 13-0235. If any additional fees are deemed necessary, authorization is granted to charge any such fees to Deposit Account No. 13-0235.

Respectfully submitted,

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